

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 1, line 7 as follows:

The present invention relates to an image forming apparatus, a control method therefor, and a storage ~~medium~~ medium, and, more particularly, to an image forming apparatus for permitting image formation in accordance with image attributes and the like, a control method therefor, and a storage medium.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 1, line 18 as follows:

To solve such ~~problem~~ problems, a transmitting source transmits image information including charging information to a user, or a user sends back charging information to the transmitting source in accordance with the use frequency of image information. Image information including charging information can only be printed by dedicated software or a dedicated printer, and is protected from being illegally copied. That is, the user can print only a predetermined number of images permitted in accordance with a charge, and is inhibited from printing more than the predetermined number of images from the original data.

Please amend the paragraphs starting at page 3, line 26, and ending at page 4, line 4, as follows:

Fig. 2, which is comprised of Figs. 2A and 2B, is a ~~are~~ flow chart ~~charts~~ showing the operation of the image forming apparatus in the first embodiment; and

Fig 3, which is comprised of Figs. 3A and 3B, is a flow chart ~~are flow charts~~ showing the operation of an image forming apparatus in the second embodiment.

Please amend the paragraphs starting at page 4, line 14, and ending at page 5, line 1, as follows:

In Fig. 1, a color laser printer 1 is connected to a host computer 2. The color laser printer 1 comprises a controller 4 and printer engine 5. The printer engine 5 comprises a CPU 6, an image data control system 7, a remaining toner sensor 8, a photosensitive drum memory 9, an FD (Face-Down) full load sensor 10, a density sensor 11, a drive system 12, a scanner unit 13, and a remaining sheet sensor 14. The image data control system 7, remaining toner sensor 8, photosensitive drum memory 9, FD full load sensor 10, density sensor 11, and remaining sheet sensor 14 are sensing means for sensing internal states which may influence images.

Note that the color laser printer 1 and host computer 2 may be connected through an ~~[[a]]~~ SCSI cable or an RS-232C cable or through a network.

Please amend the paragraphs starting at page 15, line 25, and ending at page 16, line 10 as follows:

After density control, the CPU 6 waits for a print instruction from a controller 4. Before this, the CPU 6 checks printable conditions (203). If the print is not a high-quality print ~~one~~ but is impossible owing to the absence of sheets or expandable abnormality, the CPU 6 displays an error message (210), and loops in 203 until the print impossible condition is canceled. If YES in 203, the CPU 6 shifts to 204. Note that printable conditions checked in 203 include conditions ~~ones~~ corresponding to the checks in the first embodiment.

The CPU 6 waits for a print instruction from the controller 4 (204). If NO in 204, the CPU 6 returns to 203; if YES, the CPU 6 advances to 205.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 19, line 17 as follows:

In this case, a predetermined reproduction device reads out the program codes stored in the storage medium to operate an EEPROM. As the storage medium for storing the program codes, a floppy disk, a hard disk, an optical disk, a magnetooptical disk, a CD-ROM, a magnetic tape, a nonvolatile memory card, and a ROM are available.